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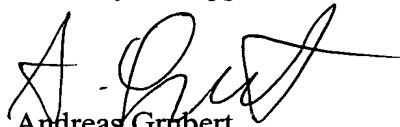
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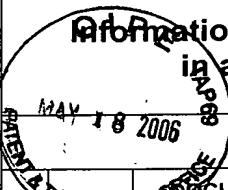
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N.	19640246A1	4/2/98	DE (w/abstract)	H01L	27/108		X
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**NON-PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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